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North Hampton Community Newsletter

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Deadline Notice

The deadline for submitting articles to the next issue of the North Hampton Community Newsletter is Friday, October 7, 2005.

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Planning Board Update: 2005 Community Survey

This edition of the Community Newsletter includes a copy of the “2005 Community Survey” that is being conducted by the Long-Range Planning Committee of the North Hampton Planning Board. **We urge you, or another member of your household, to complete and return the survey on behalf of your household. If significant differences of opinion occur among members of your household, you may get additional copies of the survey from the Town administrative offices. Our aim is to receive at least one completed survey from each household.**

The Long-Range Planning Committee is creating for the first time a “Vision” section and revising the “Community Services and Facilities” section for North Hampton’s Master Plan. The committee is also updating our community’s Capital Improvements Program (“CIP”). Town government uses our Master Plan and CIP to:

- ◆ Ensure that the Town’s ordinances and regulations control land use in ways that the residents want in order to implement their vision of the Town, and to:
- ◆ Ensure that expenditures that the Town plans to make on buildings, equipment, and land (“capital expenditures”) are consistent with the residents’ wishes and are made in a manner that controls the impact they will have on our taxes.

The “Vision” section of the Master Plan, required by RSA 674:4, must express the residents’ views about how our Town should look in the future—five, ten, or even 15 years from now. The survey will help us to find out what residents want our Town to look like in the future, how residents want land use to be regulated, which Town services and facilities are most important to residents. The survey will also help to identify (1) issues on which the residents want the Town officials to focus and (2) levels of services that the residents want the Town to provide as we move into the future.

Information from the survey will also be used to identify and prioritize projects for making capital improvements in Town facilities and services. It will identify capital expenditures that the residents support. Projects that residents support will be incorporated into an updated “Community Services and Facilities” section of the Master Plan and into an updated Capital Improvements Program for the Town. The CIP is important for all of us because it gives the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee a “roadmap” for managing capital expenditures in a way that both implements the residents’ wishes and controls effects of capital expenditures on our tax rate.

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The Girl Scouts

This past June 11th, 115 women and girls from North Hampton attended the **Sixth Annual Girl Scouts' Mother/Daughter Sleepover**, which was held at Camp Chenoa, Antrim, NH. The girls participating ranged in age from kindergarten through tenth grade; all Moms were ageless. The hot weekend made kayaking, canoeing, and swimming inviting for all, and horses were available for trail and arena riding. Being a Girl Scout event, there were, of course, arts and crafts, stepping stones, frames, and key chains galore. The campers learned new skills, one of which was "outdoor cooking," taught by **Joan Croston**. Using the Dutch ovens that they made out of boxes and foil, the campers baked biscuits to round out their meal of baked chicken, couscous, and vegetarian chili. It was quite a feat, with plenty of samples for everyone. Woodworker **David Reid** taught the Scouts and Moms how to use woodworking tools properly, and now there are many bird-houses in North Hampton yards because of David's successful clinics. After a busy day, all the Moms and Scouts participated in making dinner. **Joanne Wilusz** trailored in a huge spit, and **David Laroche** tended the fire as turkey and roast beef were roasted to perfection. The after-dinner festivities included a mystery theater performance with the theme "Who Stole the Cookies?" Senior Girl Scouts were storybook characters that included Tinkerbell, Goldilocks, and Little Red Riding Hood. Following the sketch, Brownie Girls Scouts taught everyone how to



dance, while getting the crowd up and moving to the Macarena. Late in the night all Scouts and Moms gathered around the bonfire, singing songs and toasting marshmallows for s'mores.

"This is our best Sleepover, yet!" said **Robin Reid**, Service Unit Manager (SUM) for the North Hampton Girl Scouts. Having been the SUM for six years, Robin has seen the growth of Girl Scouts in North Hampton skyrocket. Currently, an amazing 60% of the girls in Town participate in Scouts. The success of the Mother/Daughter Sleepover and the Father/Daughter Dance has added to the excitement of the program. Both events began during Robin's tenure. Still, it is the actual meetings for Daisies, Brownies, and Scouts that are the backbone of the program. Fortunately, our Town has many great volunteers who act as co-troop leaders.

These girls will become the leaders of tomorrow. In fact, 70% of today's Fortune 500 women executives were Girl Scouts. Won't you consider being a part of this great team? The team needs a co-SUM to work with Robin and co-troop leaders for Daisies, Brownies, and Junior Girl Scouts. If you have questions, please call **Margaret Allen** at 379-2333. The tentative date for the Girl Scout Open House is September 13, at the NHS Café, 6pm. The Girl Scout store will be open for all of your uniform needs.

~Margaret Allen, Public Relations Coordinator

North Hampton Historical Society

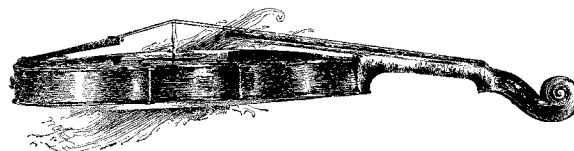
It is time to start our fall season again. As usual, our September program is open to the public. On September 19th, at 7:30pm, in the North Hampton Public Library, **Bryan Yeaton** of the *Weather Notebook*, which is a production of the Mt. Washington Observatory, will present "Worst Weather in the World." Bryan spends some of his time in North Hampton, and we are looking forward to this program.

Our October 17, 2005 program will be a skit put on by the James House Association entitled "Lives-Past-Lived." It is a story about **Martha James** and **Fanny James**. We hear much about the James House, but little about the family members—now is our chance to learn about them.

We welcome the public to both programs. As usual, refreshments will be served.

I would like to remind all members that payment of dues is expected in September. The money collected from those dues allows us to pay for our programs. For anyone wishing to become a member of the Historical Society, the dues are \$10 for a single membership and \$15.00 for a family membership.

~Janet Taylor, President



The Seacoast Academy of Music

The Seacoast Academy of Music at Centennial Hall (105 Post Rd.) is offering new fall programs, private lessons, classes, and ensembles. Classes to be offered include the Clavinova Connection, a music and wellness program for adults, as well as music theory, American music and French music. Many new ensembles have been added this fall. There will be a flute choir, chamber music (one for kids and one for adults), and the Centennial Hall Singers. All proceeds form the Centennial Hall Singers (adult chorus) will go directly to the renovation of Centennial Hall.

The fall semester starts September 6th and will offer private lessons in violin, viola, cello, piano, flute, guitar, and voice. For more information, visit our website www.seacoastacademyofmusic.org or call (603) 964-3660.

~Sherry Rega, Coordinator of Classes and Ensembles

The survey is not only a major, essential step in gathering the residents' opinions, but also an effective way for the residents to have a voice in how our Town will move into the future and how our tax dollars will be spent in order to create the future that we want for North Hampton.

After the completed surveys are received, by September 26, the Long-Range Planning Committee will tabulate the responses, a graduate student at UNH will analyze them, and the Planning Board will report the results to the residents in a public forum in mid-November. The Board also hopes to gather additional input, ideas, and concerns from residents who participate—all are welcome!

Finally, the Long-Range Planning Committee and the Planning Board will distill the information into Master Plan "Vision" and "Community Services and Facilities" sections that the residents can feel they have helped to create and will develop an updated CIP that expresses the wishes of the residents.

Your participation is important. Please return the survey by 26 September 2005. It may be returned to one of the boxes located in the North Hampton Public Library, the Town Clerk's Office, or Box 710 , 237 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton, NH 03862.

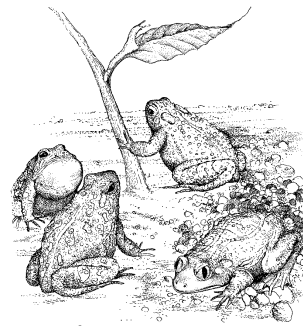
Thank you for your participation.

~Phil Wilson, Chair, North Hampton Planning Board

~Laurel Pohl, Chair, Long-Range Planning Committee

Mystery Photo Answer:

Pictured are **Helen Hobbs** (seated), author, in 1994 signing her second edition of the book *The Way It Was In North Hampton*, by Stillman and Helen Hobbs. Standing to her right is **Priscilla Coffey**, President of the North Hampton Historical Society from 1984 through 1994. The original printing of *The Way It Was In North Hampton* was in 1978 and was authorized by the Town of North Hampton. This second edition was supported by the Town of North Hampton's 250th Anniversary Celebration Committee. In the second edition, on the advice of the publisher, sixteen pages were added, exclusively for pictures. *The Way It Was In North Hampton* is still available for purchase at the North Hampton Public Library (photo and information courtesy of the North Hampton Historical Society).



Skunks Do More Than Stink



A naturalist from Squam Lakes Nature Center visited North Hampton Library to discuss this common New Hampshire animal (this one was de-scented). This program was funded through the generosity of the **Mabel Tillinghast Fund**.

Back to School News: North Hampton School

The floors were shiny, the classrooms were ready, and the school came back to life when students began a new school year on August 30th. Even though the School was open and teachers were here during the summer setting up their classrooms and working on the School Improvement Plan, it's just not the same place until the students arrive!

We are excited for another great year at North Hampton School, for we have some wonderful additions to our staff, as well as some staff changes. **Erin Gardner** is returning to North Hampton as a first-grade teacher. Erin was originally an intern at North Hampton School, and after having completed her internship, taught first grade in Bow for three years. **Nicole Outsen** is moving from fifth grade to join the second-grade team, and will job-share with **Melissa Yafchak**. After having interned at North Hampton, Melissa returned last year as a substitute for a third-grade class. **Linda Donohoe** has worked as an educational associate at North Hampton since 1999. She recently completed her Master's program at Lesley University and will teach fourth grade in the upcoming school year. **KerriAnn Coronato** has moved from teaching fourth grade to teaching fifth grade. **Trisha Markey** (formerly Hamblet) was our permanent substitute last school year after completing a fifth-grade internship the previous year. She will join the fifth-grade team and job-share with **Linda Schmidt**. **Lauren Magner** was a math intern in the eighth grade last year and will teach seventh-grade math this year. **Dick Paquin**, an educational associate on the eighth-grade team last year, will take over for **Allison Boudreau** as the eighth-grade science teacher, while Allison is on maternity leave. **Ellen Glassner** joins us from Phillips Exeter Academy as a part-time Spanish teacher. We are excited about having all of these talented teachers join the North Hampton community!

Mark your calendars for these upcoming North Hampton School events: the sixth-grade students will head to **Camp Merrowvista** from Monday, September 12th to Friday, September 16th. **The Grade Eight Yard Sale** will take place on Saturday, September 14th. For more information on the School and these events, go to the School's website at www.northhamptonschool.org.

~Tara Rossi, Assistant Principal



The glass display case at North Hampton Library is used for sharing your collections with Library patrons.

Get to Know Your School!

The North Hampton School website received an extreme makeover last year that resulted in a fresh new look. It is loaded with information and is one of the best and quickest ways to learn about the School and to stay updated on all of its happenings. The home page offers the visitor an array of topics in addition to the lunch menus, *Spots and Tales*, and the School closing/delay link. The "About NHS" option includes copies of both the New Hampshire Excellence in Education and Blue ribbon applications. The School's mission, guiding beliefs, vision, and data report are also included here, as well as other School philosophies.

To get to know the staff, go to the "NHS Staff" page which has a biography for each staff member and a link to their email addresses. You may learn something new about your teachers! Wondering what the homework is for the week? For up-to-date classroom information, go to the "In the Classroom" section of the site. Here the visitor has access to all of the grade-level curricula roadmaps, as well as each teacher's most recent school-to-home communication. Interested in other activities? The "After-School" page includes directions to the numerous fields in the area, plus the semester's enrichment brochure.

The School Council page provides a description of the Council's purpose, a copy of the School Improvement Plan, and the Council meeting dates. The School Board page lists the current School Board members and the meeting dates and minutes.

Interested in volunteering? The PAL page is the place for you, for it contains the latest fundraiser information, PAL sponsored activities, volunteer opportunities, and meeting dates and minutes. The website is constantly updated throughout the school year and visitors can find most information regarding the School there. We encourage you to take some time and visit the School from the comfort of your home—www.northhamptonschool.org

~Tara Rossi, Assistant Principal

Recreation News

The summer makeover of Dearborn Park should bring smiles to the faces of children and parents alike. Because of the Phase I \$40,000 Dearborn Park Capital Reserve fund, we now have all new playground equipment: state-of-the-art modular swings, gym, play and climbing apparatus that is surrounded by mulch ground cover. We thank Road Agent **Robert Strout** and the rest of the Highway Department for all their help in the grading and landscaping. Other park improvements include the new tennis backboard, courtesy of project leader and Eagle Scout **Ben Coons**, the new wooden planks that cover the picnic tables, and, with the help of NHYA, a soon-to-be resurfaced infield area. Phase II includes Capital Reserve funding that has been appropriated for playground equipment additions next year. You're welcome to drop by the office to check out the blueprint.

Thanks to all who contributed to make this another successful and fun-packed summer. Some of the outstanding "winners" of the season included men's open basketball; men's over-35 basketball; co-ed softball league, and Coates hoop camp, which will be back next year for an extended 3-week session. We would like to acknowledge the continued success of our Summer Recreation Camp. We've increased our trained staff from 8 to 20 counselors in just 5 years, and we now have about 176 campers. This year we added an extra half-hour to our non-camp day, enabling us to extend activities and offer a supervised snack time. Popularity for and participation in field trips allows us to continue exciting offerings, such as White Water rafting, Red Sox games, and visits to local amusement and game parks.

This year we've had a 12% increase in requests for financial assistance, so we have begun a fundraising program asking for community contributions in order to build our scholarship fund. If you would like to make a donation, please contact us. Your support could make all the difference for a child in our Town. Thank you to our sponsors and generous contributors who have helped to make this experience a memorable one for all involved: **Murray Family; Route One Self-Storage; My Stylist; Lamprey Brothers; Hiltunen & Nash; NHAAGS; North Hampton Drywall; Subway Sandwiches & Salads; Blake Chevrolet; North Hampton Fireman's Association; Luck Enterprises, Inc; North Hampton Acura, PS Marston Associates, and Blue Canoe, North Hampton.** We would especially like to recognize the North Hampton School Board, administrators, and staff for assisting with promoting partnerships in the community and allowing us use the school premises and grounds throughout the year.

Our current Summer Rec Director, **Meaghan Sheehan**, will be leaving in order to pursue other opportunities, so we will be looking for a new director. We've added a new member to our staff—Sharon Hart joins us as part-time Program Coordinator. She comes to us with many years of volunteer community service, free-lance writing, and a long-time career in book publishing in NYC; recently, she worked as a buyer at Time of Wonder, a children's bookstore in Exeter. She lives in North Hampton with her husband and two children.

Get set for an activity-packed fall because we're expecting to add some exciting new programs; such as, hip hop dance and ballroom dance; men's tennis; preschool creative movement; a toddler playgroup; girls' softball; a seniors' walking club; an adult-over 50 volleyball; adult flag football; improv and music theater; and more art classes with **Phyllis Marsh**. We're actively pursuing grant opportunities to help fund our programs.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out our latest survey, for your responses are invaluable in helping us to determine what your needs are for future programming. Recently, some programs have been cancelled because of insufficient participation. Please call the office (964-3170) if you have any questions or suggestions.

~ Diane Wheeler, Recreation Director and Sharon Hart Program, Coordinator



**Library Intern
Sarah Murray**

Summer Intern at North Hampton Library

Sarah Murray of North Hampton served as the youth intern at the Library this summer. She was very popular with the Story Time children, who appreciated her creative abilities very much. In addition to assisting with the children's programs, Sarah worked on book processing, collection maintenance, and other Library projects. She will begin her junior year at Winnacunnet High School this fall. Sarah is an avid reader and enjoys drawing, volleyball, and volunteering at Seacoast Science Center. The Summer Intern position is funded through the generosity of the Mabel Healy Tillinghast Fund.

~Lorreen Keating, Youth Services Librarian

Calling Collectors

The North Hampton Library is still looking for hobbyists or collectors who are willing to share their collections in our glass display case. We've really enjoyed the changing monthly displays here, and are hoping to hear from more of you who would like to share your special interest. It could be historical, artistic, educational, or just for fun. We've had model trains, handmade jewelry, military history, woodcarvings, toys of yesteryear, historical artifacts, card collections, and tinware among others, and now we're looking for some new collections. If you have an interesting collection that you're willing to share, please call the Library at 964-6326 to set it up!

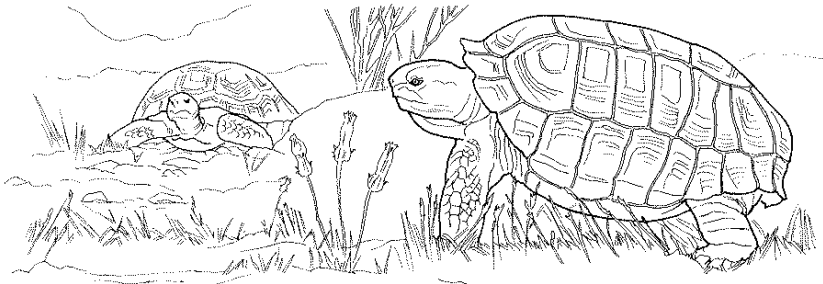
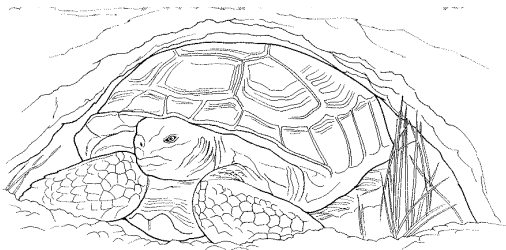
~Pam Schwotzer, Director

Summer Reading 2005

Summer is the time many people look forward to for reading and relaxation. North Hampton Public Library's summer reading program for adults and teens, "Some Enchanted Reading," has been a great success, with contributions by local businesses for weekly prize drawings. July 5th was the official kick-off to the program, which concluded Monday, August 15th. We'd like to thank **Abercrombie & Finch, The Book Outlet, Great Bay Pottery, Joe's Meat Shoppe, Nature's Outpost, Wholly Scrap, and The Great American Country Store**, for their generous donations to the summer reading program. Each week participants filled out raffle tickets when they returned books to the Library for a chance at the weekly drawing. The winners have been **Fran Damianos, Kae Sloan, Ann Gunsolus, and Kim Corbett**. At this writing there will be one more weekly drawing and a grand prize drawing on August 15th.

In other Library news, June 8th the Library hosted **David Carroll**, a New Hampshire author whose autobiographical book, *Self-Portrait With Turtles*, was the subject of the June book discussion group. Mr. Carroll is also an artist, as well as a writer and naturalist, and is the author of several other books, which can be checked out at the Library. On July 27th **Andy Richmond**, a New Hampshire native, was invited to share with area residents his adventures climbing Mt. McKinley and other formidable mountain peaks. For future library events and programs check our web site at www.nhplib.org or call us at 964-6326.

~Susan Tidd, Circulation Librarian



Walk on the Wild Side

We never knew it was there at all. One of the most beautiful and little-used walks in our Town is the mile-long nature trail behind the North Hampton School. The playing fields behind the School were given by Governor Alvan T. Fuller, and were dedicated in 1955; the trail is off these fields.



We discovered this one day last fall while out on another project. It was so beautiful and so quiet, nature in all its glory. Of course, the trees are all second growth—this area probably started in the last century as just fields. It was farmed, trees were planted, houses were built, stone walls erected, and finally, when some of the elder members passed on, it became their burial ground.

About a half-mile in there is a side trail off to the left (west), which leads to the Fogg family cemetery. There are 12 Fogg gravestones and one that is to the memory of Jacob Davis, who was killed at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862. What a happy resting-place.



The nature trail is open to the public from dawn to dusk, but only during non-school hours. We would suggest observing the restrictions.

~Bob Southworth

Zoning Board

The ZBA continues to hear cases on a monthly basis involving requests for Variances and Special Exceptions. Our monthly meetings, and all meetings, are now being held at 6:00pm in the Mary Herbert Conference Room located on the first floor by the elevators in the Town Office Building. **Our regular monthly meetings have been changed from the 3rd Wednesday to the 4th Tuesday of the month.**

In addition to our normal caseload, we currently have two applications before us for placing cell towers in the area where no coverage approaches the beach. The first application is located on Woodland Road on the Hampton side of Atlantic Avenue; the second is located on Chapel Road.

The ZBA has voted unanimously to hire legal counsel, at the Applicant's expense, to assist us in the various legal issues that will need to be considered in order to properly consider the Woodland Road application. As of the deadline for the submission of this article, there has been no meeting on the Chapel Road application since the Woodland Road application decision was made to hire Legal Counsel. Meeting dates on the applications will be August 16th for the Woodland Road application and August 30th for the Chapel Road application. The meetings regarding the cell tower applications have been well attended.

My primary goal as Chairman is to ensure that any member of the community who wishes to be heard on these (or any) matters has the opportunity to have his or her opinion considered. I urge those who do not wish to attend the meetings to submit written comment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, John Anthony Simmons, Chairman, PO Box 710, North Hampton, NH 03862. Your comments will be made a part of the Town's file and will be considered by all Board members. If we may serve you in any way, please call the Zoning and Planning Coordinator at 964-8650.

~John Anthony Simmons, Chairman

North Hampton Mourns a Fallen Son

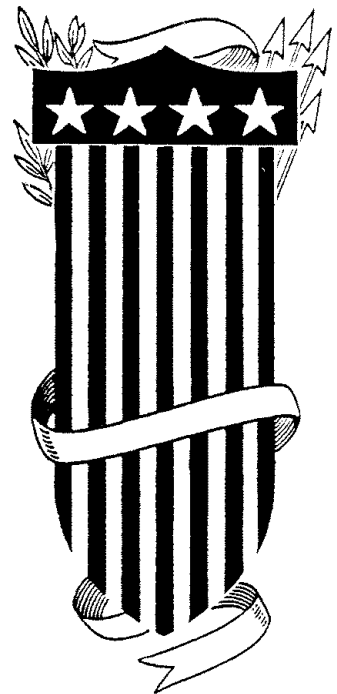


2nd Lt. Matthew S. Coutu (Hampton Union Photo)

2nd Lt. Matthew S. Coutu, 23 was shot and killed by a sniper outside Baghdad while assisting the Iraqi police. His father, Michael Coutu told the Hampton Union that "we're the type of family that puts value on God and Country..." Matthew "wanted to follow in the footsteps of his father and my father..."

Let us all acknowledge the sacrifice young Matthew made on behalf of all Americans.

~Emily Creighton, North Hampton



Camp Wannaread at North Hampton Library



Mary Doane of Project Nature shares music and a tale with the Story Time Children.



Every camp has a talent show and so did "Camp Wannaread" more than 40 people joined performers for this fun evening .

Teddy Bear Picnic



News from the Children's Room at the Library

SUMMER READING 2005-"CAMP WANNAREAD"

More than 170 kids ages 2 - 13 registered for our summer reading clubs this summer. The Summer Story Time sessions featured two musical programs and ended with a "Teddy Bear Picnic." "Camp Wannaread" readers and friends enjoyed a visit from the "Animals from Camp" outreach program from The Squam Lakes Nature Center, a clay-sculpting workshop, and a fun talent show. Congratulations to all who participated and read for many hours this summer. Special thanks to the Library staff, our summer intern, **Putt-A-Round Miniature Golf and Railroad of North Hampton, Learning Express Toys of North Hampton, Isles of Shoals Steamship Company, Flags Unlimited of Hampton, The Friends of the North Hampton Library, Pam Newhall Brown, the Johnston Family, the Saal Family, the Mabel Healy Tillinghast Fund,** and all who helped to make this summer's reading program a big success!

Fall Programs at the Library:

Story Time is for ages 2-5 and will be offered on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:30 - 11:00am, beginning Tuesday, September 20th; then the 21st; 27th; 28th; October 4th; 5th; 11th; 12th; no sessions on the 18th and 19th; then on the 25th and the 26th. **Registration is required for Story Time.** Registration sheets and schedules are available at the Library.

Book Bunch is an after-school Story Hour for ages 4 and up. "Book Bunch" features, stories, books, snacks, crafts, and activities. Dates and Times TBA.

Story Crafters is an after-school program for children ages 8-12 featuring activities and crafts. Our first project will be puppet crafting and preparing a puppet show with Martha Dana, and will take place during several sessions. Dates and times TBA.

"Bookworms" & "Scene Stealers" are book discussion groups for ages 7 and older: "Bookworms" features shorter fiction and "Scene Stealers" features longer and more challenging fiction. Both groups meet on the same day in separate meeting spaces in the Library. Meeting Dates and Times are Tuesday, September 27th 3:45 - 4:30pm and Tuesday, October 25th 3:45 - 4:30pm.

Halloween Night at the Library: Monday, October 31st from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Halloween fun for ages 6 and older!

Puppet Show with Martha Dana—A Halloween treat for ages 3 and up Thursday, October 27th, 4:00 - 4:45pm.

For more information about youth programs at the Library, please contact: Lorreen M. Keating, Youth Services Librarian, 964-6326, or email: youthlib@nhplib.org—See you soon at the Library!

~Lorreen Keating, Youth Services Librarian

Running Out of Space...

The Trustees of the Library are focusing this year on the Library's ongoing space needs. Past public meetings have repeatedly pointed to the need for a separate Children's Room as a top priority, and overcrowding in the Children's area has become a serious problem. As we look for ways to provide a separate space for children, the Craig Meeting Room is being considered as an adjunct to the current Children's area, which would give some partial separation from the rest of the Library, and would provide more room for children's shelving, tables and seating, and the playhouse, trains and other large toys found there.

It would also allow Youth Services Librarian **Lorreen Keating**, pictured here, to move her desk from its present location (an area that also houses our technical services, staff lunchroom, interlibrary loan desk, Trustee desk and volunteer work area) right into the Children's Room, where she could better assist parents and children.

Unfortunately, this move would eliminate the Library's large meeting room for all non-library meetings, and possibly for many adult library programs as well. We are currently working with the staff to find solutions that will not compromise adult library services. As we consider this problem, we welcome community input. You can leave a message at the Library (964-6326), or call Trustee Chair **Linda Hillier** (964-5074) to share your thoughts.

~Pam Schwotzer, Director, Linda Hillier, Emily Creighton, Steve Miller,
Board of Trustees



Upcoming Library Programs

There are several programs of interest being offered in September and October at the North Hampton Public Library. A book discussion group meets monthly at the Library, usually on the 2nd Thursday, at 2pm. The next meeting will be September 8th, to discuss *The Other Boleyn Girl*, a novel of Mary Boleyn, by **Philippa Gregory**. In October, our meeting will be changed to the 1st Thursday, October 6th, as we meet via speakerphone with author **Chris Bohjalian** to discuss and ask questions about his novel *Before You Know Kindness*. Copies of both books are available to borrow from the Library, and both programs are free and open to all. Call the Library at 964-6326 if you have questions or for further information.

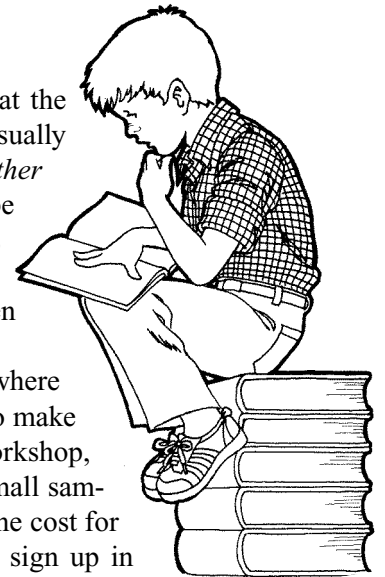
In addition to the children's programs mentioned in **Lorreen Keating's** article elsewhere in this newsletter, we also have 2 craft programs for older children or adults, just in time to make holiday gifts. Thursday, September 22, we will offer a **Russian Spiral Beaded Bracelet** workshop, from 3:45-4:45pm. Each crafter will receive beads, needle and line sufficient to make a small sampler bracelet at the program and enough to take home and complete a full-sized bracelet. The cost for materials is \$5.00. Seating is limited to 10 participants, ages 10 to adult, so be sure to sign up in advance.

Our other craft program will be Tuesday, October 18, also from 3:45-4:45pm. **Carol Sanborn** will be here to teach **Knitting With Beads**. This will be a great opportunity for those who already know how to cast on and knit and purl to add some dazzle to their knitted gifts. Carol will supply yarn and beads at no cost, but participants should bring their own needles, size 10 or smaller. This program is also limited to 10 participants and requires advance registration.

We also will have author **Allison Anneser** with us, Wednesday, October 5, at 7pm, for a presentation on **Refined to Real Food: Helping Families break the Junk-Food Addiction**. Allison, who has written a book on this subject, believes that healthy eating should be a lifestyle, not a diet. She will describe for us how to find, fix, and feed healthy foods to our families, shifting their eating habits toward healthier, wholesome eating with a game plan to get us there and recipes to make it happen. Obesity is a major problem in our country, and we hope you'll join us to gain some insight on this important topic. This program is free and open to all, with no pre-registration required.

Call the Library at 964-6326 for more information on these or other programs.

~Pam Schwotzer, Library Director



October New England Common Assessment Program Testing

The State of New Hampshire will conduct the newly developed NECAP testing for the first time this fall. As a result of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and its assessment requirements, the State partnered with Vermont and Rhode Island to develop Grade-Level Expectations (GLE) and the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP). A GLE is an objective aligned with State standards by grade, which differentiates performance on concepts and skills between adjacent grade levels. They allow teachers to clearly see expectations for all students at the end of each grades 2-8.

Testing will take place during a three-week period from October 3-25. Grades 3-8 will be tested in reading and math. In addition, grades 5 and 8 will be tested in writing. The reading and math tests consist of three sessions each and the writing test consists of two sessions. There is no time limit for completion of the test, although the tests are designed to take approximately 45 minutes.

How can families support students during the testing weeks? Students should get a good night's sleep, eat a healthful breakfast, and have healthful snacks with them for breaks. They should be at school on time and should try not to be absent during the days of their specific grade-level tests. Attendance during testing time is critical because the School's rating is penalized if there is less than 95% participation. For more information about the NECAP testing, including practice tests, tips for students, and GLEs, go to www.ed.state.nh.us.

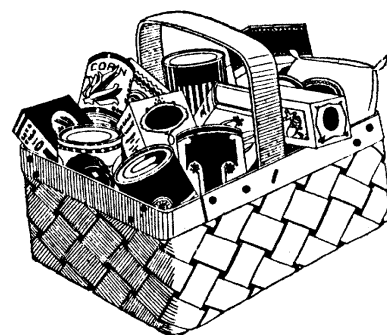
~Tara Rossi, Assistant Principal






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




North Hampton Public Library would like to thank its generous patrons who contributed non-perishable food items and personal care items in lieu of paying fines in July. This is the fifth year that we have made contributions to local food pantries. At the end of the month, 210 food items and 33 personal care items were collected, topping our 2004 collections by 29 items. Together the Library and all of you helpful Library users have aided many needy families in the Seacoast. Thank you, all.













~Jill Brandt, ILL Librarian



Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meetings

 Board of Selectmen	2nd and 4th Mondays	7:00pm	Herbert Room
 Recreation Commission	1st Monday	7:00pm	NHPL
 Planning Board	1st Tuesday	7:00pm	Town Hall
 Zoning Board	4th Tuesday	7:00pm	Upstairs Conference Room
 Historical Society	3rd Monday	7:30pm	NHPL, March-May, Sept.-Nov.
 Woman's Club	1st Wednesday	1:00pm	UCC Church, October-May
 PAL	3rd Wednesday	9:00am	NHS Café
 North Hampton School Board	3rd Thursday	7:00pm	NHS Library
 WHS School Board	4th Wednesday	7:00pm	WHS
 Centennial Hall	1st Monday	7:00pm	Centennial Hall
 Conservation Commission	2nd Tuesday	7:00pm	Herbert Room
 Book Discussion Group	2nd Thursday	2:00pm	NHPL
 North Hampton School Council	2nd Wednesday	3:15-4:30pm	NHS
 North Hampton Youth Association	1st Tuesday	7:00pm	NHPL
 Heritage Commission	3rd Thursday	9:30am	Heritage Room, Town Office
 North Hampton Forever	3rd Thursday	7:30am	Herbert Room

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 2005						
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3	5	6	7	8  Book Group	9	10
11	12	13	14  North Hampton School Yard Sale	15	16	17
18	19  Historical Society	20  Story Time	21  Story Time  Book Worms	22  Russian Sprial Bracelet	23	24
25	26	27  Story Time	28  Story Time	29	30	

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October 2005						
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2	3	4  Story Time	5  Story Time  Refined to Real Food	6  Book Group	7	8
9	10	11  Story Time	12  Story Time	13	14	15
16	17  Historical Society	18  Knitting With Beads	19	20	21	22
23	24	25  Story Time	26  Story Time	27	28	29
30	 Halloween 31 at the Library	 Book Worms				



Mystery Photo: Who are these people and what are they doing?

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